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RESPONSE UNDER 37CFR 1.111
Examining Group 3727
Patent Application
Docket No. PPD-100TC1
Serial No. 09/894,432


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Stephen K. Cronin

Art Unit : 3727

Applicant : Linlee Blake Nelson

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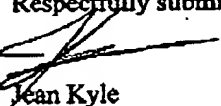
PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response be extended one month through and including September 14, 2004. Please charge Deposit Account 19-0065 the fee of \$55.00 (small entity). A Request for Continued Examination and a Response Under 37 CFR 1.111 are attached.

Any additional fee as required by 37 CFR 1.17 should be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

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Attachment: Request for Continued Examination
Response Under 37 CFR 1.111

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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	09/604,432
Filing Date	June 26, 2001
First Named Inventor	Nelson
Art Unit	3727
Examiner Name	S. Cronin
Attorney Docket Number	PPD-100TC1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) procedure under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any issue or claim application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission requested under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments entered with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted, if a final Office action to outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

b. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

c. ☐ Other _____

d. ☐ Enclosed

e. ☒ Amendment/Reply

f. ☐ Affidavit(s) Declaration(s)

g. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

h. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.170 required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees**

a. ☒ The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0006

b. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

c. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

d. ☐ Other _____

e. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entry	Small Entry	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Code (R)	Code (S)		
1001 770	2001 540	Utility filing fee	
1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 600	2003 285	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 388	Reissue filing fee	
1006 140	2006 90	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)			(S) 0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEE FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee From	Fee Paid
1-30	0	0	
31-50	0	0	
51-100	0	0	
101-200	0	0	
201-300	0	0	
301-400	0	0	
401-500	0	0	
501-600	0	0	
601-700	0	0	
701-800	0	0	
801-900	0	0	
901-1000	0	0	
SUBTOTAL (2)			(S) 0

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Fee Code (R)	Fee Code (S)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1061 100	2061 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1062 60	2062 35	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1063 120	2063 120	Non-compliant specification	
1912 2,020	1912 2,020	For filing a request for an extra examination	
1904 620	1904 620	Requesting publication of RCE prior to examination	
1906 1,400	1906 1,400	Requesting publication of RCE after examination	
1261 110	2261 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1262 120	2262 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1263 950	2263 475	Extension for reply within third month	
1264 1,400	2264 740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1266 2,010	2266 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1403 330	2403 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1404 300	2404 145	Request for oral hearing	
1401 1,815	2401 1,815	Request to institute a public use proceeding	
1402 110	2402 55	Position to resolve - unavoidable	
1403 1,000	2403 500	Position to resolve - unintentional	
1401 1,330	2401 665	Utility issue fee (or release)	
1402 440	2402 220	Design issue fee	
1403 640	2403 320	Plant issue fee	
1404 135	2404 120	Patent to the Commissioner	
1407 60	2407 30	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(c)	
1408 180	2408 90	Submission of Information Disclosure Sheet	
1409 40	2409 20	Resubmitting each patent assignment per property (three number of properties)	
1409 770	2409 385	Filing a submission after first rejection (37 CFR 1.120(a))	
1410 770	2410 385	For each additional submission to be examined (37 CFR 1.120(b))	
1401 770	2401 385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1408 600	2408 300	Request for accelerated examination of a design application	
SUBTOTAL (3)			(S) 240.00

Other fee (specify) _____ Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (4) **(S) 240.00**

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